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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED JUNE 16, 2003

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Sir:

The Applicants acknowledge the receipt of the Office Action ("the Action") mailed on June 16, 2003 (Paper No. 14), which has been carefully reviewed and studied. Reexamination and reconsideration of the application is requested in view of the following remarks. In order to facilitate the Examiner's evaluation of the application, Applicants have attempted to address the rejections in Paper No. 14 in the same order in which they were originally raised.

A Petition for an Extension of Time of one month to and including October 16, 2003, and authorization to deduct the fee as required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1) from Applicants' representatives Deposit Account are included. The response is thus timely filed. Applicants believe no fees in addition to the fee for the extension of time are due in connection with this response. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any additionally required fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0892.

RESPONSE

I. Status of the Claims

No claims have been cancelled. No claims have been amended. No new claims have been added.